

The Calvin Ball Bulletin

Legislation Edition: March 2014



Lend your voice on local and state legislation! This newsletter highlights bills currently under consideration by the County Council and the Maryland General Assembly when it is in session. Listed below, I have highlighted bills under consideration and hyperlinks for more information. To promote an engaged citizenry, I encourage you to review this information and offer



testimony on Council bills by emailing the County Council at councilmail@howardcountymd.gov. Testimony may also be submitted in person during the Council's Public Hearing, generally held the 3rd Monday of each month.

To sign-up in advance to testify, click [here](#).

For your convenience, I've included legislation under consideration by the Delegation and the Maryland General Assembly. For details, please contact **Dan Furman** at 410-841-3360 or email hoc1@mlis.state.md.us.

I hope you find this informative and use this opportunity to become an integral part of our legislative process.

INTRODUCTIONS

All current Council legislation can be found [online](#).

APPOINTMENTS

CR24-2014

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Dr. Anand Mattai to the Board of Directors of the Howard

County Mental Health Authority.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR25-2014

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Anthony E. Molinaro, Jr., P.E., to the Board of Electrical Examiners.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR26-2014

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Denny Patrick to the Howard County Agricultural Land Preservation Board.

Final Action:

Votes:

GENERAL

CB8-2014

Introduced by: The Chairperson

AN ACT to amend the compensation of the members of the Howard County Board of Appeals; and generally relating to the Howard County Board of Appeals.

Final Action:

Votes:

CB9-2014 Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive AN ACT establishing a tax credit against the County tax imposed on real property located adjacent to Route 1 that is renovated, upgraded, or rehabilitated, under certain conditions; establishing the amount, terms, conditions, and duration of the credit; providing for an application procedure and administration of the credit; and generally relating to

property tax credits.

Final Action:

Votes:

CB10-2014

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive AN ACT allowing certain fees-in-lieu to be used to create urban tree canopy; defining certain terms; allowing certain fees-in-lieu to be used for the maintenance of existing forests in accordance with State law; and generally relating to forest conservation in Howard County.

Final Action:

Votes:

CB11-2014

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT changing the name of the Historic District Commission to be the Historic Preservation Commission; defining certain terms; allowing for certain single-site historic districts; clarifying certain membership of the Commission; extending certain voting deadlines; clarifying the advisory role of the Commission; clarifying certain powers of the Commission and staff; clarifying certain appeal provisions; and generally relating to the Historic District Commission.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR27-2014

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION adopting the Howard County Historic Preservation Plan.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR28-2014

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION recommending the denial of Elizabeth Mullinix's request to terminate a Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation easement on property located on the south side of Carrs Mill Road, containing approximately 142 acres, more commonly known as the "Clevenger Farm".

Final Action:

Votes:

CR29-2014

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION declaring that a total of approximately 22.58 acres of real property owned by Howard County and identified as the Mears Property and located along Lennox Road in Jessup is no longer needed for a public purpose; authorizing the County Executive to sell the property; waiving the bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; allowing the County to consider certain conditions when reviewing bids to purchase the property; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to convey the property if he finds that the land may have a further public use.

Final Action:

Votes:

FINAL CONSIDERATION

APPOINTMENTS

CR10-2014

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Tajuddin I. Sabree to the Equal Business Opportunity Commission.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR11-2014

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Victoria L. F. Gaunt to the Howard County Animal Matters Hearing Board.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR12-2014

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Mary Jo Neil to the Commission for Women.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR13-2014

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Chelsea Stanton to the Commission on Disability Issues.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR14-2014

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Rev. Robert Turner to the Human Rights Commission.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR15-2014

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Alex Walker to the Commission on Disability Issues.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR16-2014

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the reappointment of Joan Webb Scornaienchi to the Commission for Women.

Final Action:

Votes:

FINANCIAL

SAO2-FY2014

Administrative Explanation

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

AN ACT transferring \$16,559 from the Grants Fund, Contingency Reserve to the Circuit Court for a grant for courthouse security.

Final Action:

Votes:

CB3-2014

Administrative Explanation

Introduced by: The Chairman at the request of the County Executive

AN ORDINANCE providing for the issuance at any one time and from time to time of general obligation bond

anticipation notes in anticipation of the issuance of the County's general obligation bonds in an aggregate principal amount outstanding at any one time not to exceed the aggregate principal amount of general obligation bonds authorized to be issued by Howard County, Maryland at the time such notes are issued; providing that such bond anticipation notes shall be sold at private (negotiated) or at public sale for a price at, above or below, the par value thereof, as may be determined by the County Executive; providing that such bond anticipation notes may be issued as variable rate demand obligations, notes in the nature of commercial paper or other similar obligations and authorizing the County Executive to determine various matters and to take various other actions in connection therewith; providing that such bond anticipation notes not paid with bond proceeds may be paid with proceeds of bond anticipation notes authorized by this Ordinance; covenanting to pay the principal of and interest on any such bond anticipation notes with the proceeds of the bonds in anticipation of the sale of which such notes are issued; covenanting to issue the bonds in anticipation of which any such bond anticipation notes are issued as soon as the reason for deferring the issuance thereof no longer exists; providing for the levy and collection of all taxes, charges and assessments necessary for the payment when due of the principal of and interest on all notes issued pursuant to this Ordinance not paid with proceeds of bonds or notes issued under this Ordinance; providing for disbursement of the proceeds of the Notes; delegating authority to the County Executive the power to enter into all agreements which may be necessary or desirable to secure and market the notes authorized pursuant to this Ordinance; generally providing for the issuance, sale and delivery of bond anticipation notes and determining various matters in connection therewith.

Final Action:

Votes:

GENERAL

CB4-2014

Introduced by: The Chairperson

A CORRECTIVE ACT amending Council Bill 32-2013 in order to correct an enrollment error in the bill that incorrectly reflected the County Council's action regarding a certain property.

Final Action:

Votes:

CB5-2014

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the Compensation Review Commission

AN ACT to repeal and enact a new Section 5.200 “Annual Salary” of Subtitle 2 “Compensation” of Title 5 “County Council” of the Howard County Code to set the annual salary of the members of the Howard County Council for the term beginning in December 2014.

Final Action:

Votes:

CB6-2014

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the Compensation Review Commission

AN ACT to repeal and enact a new Section 6.100 “Annual Salary” of Subtitle 1 “Compensation of the County Executive” of Title 6 “County Executive and the Executive Branch” of the Howard County Code to set the annual salary of the members of the Howard County Executive for the term beginning in December 2014.

Final Action:

Votes:

CB7-2014

Introduced by: Mary Kay Sigaty

AN ACT to clarify when an animal is “at-large” in Howard County; and generally relating to animal control in Howard County.

Final Actions:

Votes:

CR17-2014

Administrative Explanation

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION authorizing the County Purchasing Agent to waive the formal competitive bidding requirements of Title 4, Subtitle 1 of the Howard County Code in order to enter into an agreement with the Columbia Association, Inc., a Maryland corporation, to make certain improvements to the storm drainage channel under the Cradlerock Way Bridge.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR18-2014

Administrative Explanation

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, authorizing the County Executive

to grant an easement to the Columbia Association, Inc., a Maryland Corporation, on certain real property owned by the County that goes under Cradlerock Way located in Columbia; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to grant the easement if he finds that the land may have a further public use.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR19-2014

Administrative Explanation

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, authorizing the County Executive to grant an easement to Baltimore Gas and Electric Company on certain real property owned by the County known as Open Space Lot 11 located in Ellicott City; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to grant the easement if he finds that the land may have a further public use.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR20-2014

Administrative Explanation

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION pursuant to Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code, authorizing the County Executive to grant an easement to Baltimore Gas and Electric Company on property owned by the County located along Court House Drive in Ellicott City; waiving the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to grant the easement if he finds that the land may have a further public use.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR21-2014

Administrative Explanation

Introduced by: The Chairman at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION endorsing and authorizing the Howard County Executive to file an application with the Maryland Transit Administration of the Maryland

Department of Transportation for certain grants under the Federal Transit Act.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR22-2014

Introduced by: the Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION in accordance with Howard County's Urban Renewal Law, finding that certain properties of the Long Reach Village Center in Columbia constitute a blighted area; finding that the rehabilitation or redevelopment of these properties by means of an Urban Renewal Project is necessary in the interest of the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the County; establishing the area in which the Project will take place; authorizing the acquisition of certain properties in the Long Reach Village Center as part of the Project; authorizing preparation of the plans necessary for the Project; and generally relating to urban renewal in Howard County.

Final Action:

Votes:

CR23-2014

Introduced by: Council Members Calvin Ball, Mary Kay Sigaty, Jennifer Terrasa and Courtney Watson

A RESOLUTION requesting that the Howard County Public Transportation Board provide a report to the County Council and County Executive on the performance of the Howard County public transportation system and on specific improvements required of the system to meet the increasing demand for public transportation options in and around Howard County.

Final Action:

Votes:

TABLED

CR150-2011

Introduced By, Greg Fox

A RESOLUTION proposing to add a section to Article VIII. "Centralized Purchasing" of the Howard County Charter to limit the exercise of the power of eminent domain so that the power is used only for public purposes and not for private economic development, and submitting this amendment to the voters of Howard County for their adoption or rejection in accordance with Article X of the Howard County Charter and Article XIA of the Maryland Constitution.

Last Action: Tabled 10/3/2011

Votes: YEAS – Council Members Fox, Sigaty, Terrasa and Watson

NAY – Council Member Ball

CR117-2013

Introduced by: The Chairperson at the request of the County Executive A RESOLUTION declaring that a total of approximately 0.841 acres of real property owned by Howard County and identified as a portion of the right-of-way of Dorsey Run Road is no longer needed for a public purpose; authorizing the County Executive to waive the advertising and bidding requirements of Section 4.201 of the Howard County Code in order to convey the property to Coastal Sunbelt Produce; and providing that the County Executive is not bound to convey the property if he finds that the land may have a further public use and submits his finding to the County Council for its consideration.

Last Action: Tabled 10/7/2013

Votes: Unanimous

CR1-2014

Introduced by: Chairperson at the request of the County Executive

A RESOLUTION confirming the appointment of Michele Brown to the Board of Directors of the Howard County Mental Health Authority.

Last Action: Tabled 2/3/2014

Votes: Unanimous

THE PROCESS

The County Council is responsible for adopting the laws of the County. The legislative process generally follows a monthly cycle:

- 1st Monday - New legislation is introduced; legislation from prior month is given final consideration
- 3rd Monday - Public hearing on legislation introduced that month
- 4th Monday - Legislative work session, if needed
- 1st Monday - New legislation is introduced; legislation from prior month is given final consideration

Council bills must be signed or vetoed by the County Executive within 10 days of the Council's presentation of passed legislation.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Unless otherwise noted, the County Council will hold its meetings in the Banneker Room of the George Howard Building, 3430 Court House Drive, Ellicott City, MD.

The next meetings are as follows:

- Monday, February 24, 2014 at 4:30pm: Legislative Work Session
- Monday, March 3, 2014 at 7:30pm: Legislative Session
- Tuesday, March 4, 2014 at 8:15am: Quarterly Meeting with Board of Education located at BOE offices, 10910 Clarksville Pike in Clarksville
- Monday, March 10, 2014 at 8:30am: Monthly Meeting in the CVG Room
- Monday, March 17, 2014 at 7:30pm: Legislative Public Hearing
- Monday, March 24, 2014 at 4:30pm: Legislative Work Session
- Monday, April 7, 2014 at 7:30pm: Legislative Session
- Wednesday, April 9, 2014 at 7pm: Capital Budget Hearing (except Education, Public Safety, and Corrections)
- Wednesday, April 16, 2014 at 8:30am: Capital Budget Work Session (DPZ and DPW only) in CVG Room
- Wednesday, April 16, 2014 at 1pm: Capital Budget Work Session – Continuation (if needed) in CVG Room
- Monday, April 21, 2014 at 7:30pm: County Executive Budget Presentation
- Monday, April 21, 2014 at 7:30pm: Legislative Session
- Wednesday, April 23, 2014 at 9:30am: Capital Budget Work Session (all except DPZ, DPW, Education, Public Safety, and Corrections) in C. Vernon Gray Room
- Wednesday, April 23, 2014 at 1pm: Work Session continuation (if needed) in C. Vernon Gray Room
- Monday, April 28, 2014 at 4:30pm: Legislative Work Session (if needed)
- Monday, April 28, 2014 at 4:30pm or later: Operating Budget and Operating and Capital Budgets (HCC, Libraries, Public Safety and Corrections (immediately following work session))

* Please note these dates are subject to change. To access the most up-to-date calendar of meetings, click [here](#).

Can't attend a meeting but still want to stay involved? You can stream the Council's sessions [online](#) and click on the meeting you would like to watch. The Council's sessions are also streamed in real time on this website.



Howard County State Delegation Legislation

The Howard County Delegation will hold a formal Presentation/Discussion session on Wednesday, February 26, 2014 at 9am in the Miller Senate Office Building, Miller President's Conference Center Room West I and II, 11 Bladen Street in Annapolis. The 2014 legislative session will begin on January 8, 2014. For your convenience, I have shared an update of the bills that will be introduced below. For further information, contact **Dan Furman** at the Howard County Delegation Office at **410-841-3360** or email hoc1@mlis.state.md.us

HB1090

Howard County – Alcoholic Beverages – Population Restriction on Class A Licenses Ho. Co. 1-14

Sponsored by: Howard County Delegation

Prohibiting the Board of License Commissioners of Howard County from issuing more than one Class A license of any type for every 4,000 individuals in the County, as determined by the latest federal census; and providing a specified exception.

Status: In the House; Hearing 3/3/14 at 1pm;

Committee: Economic Matters

HB1093**Howard County Board of Education – Members – Salary Increase Ho. Co. 2-14**

Sponsored by: Howard County Delegation

Increasing the amount of compensation of the chairman from \$14,000 to \$17,000 and other elected members from \$12,000 to \$15,000 of the Howard County Board of Education; establishing a \$5,000 scholarship for the student member of the board under specified circumstances; specifying that the student member may be reimbursed for specified expenses; providing that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the chairman or other elected members of the board during a specified term of office; etc.

Status: In the House – Hearing 3/12 at 1pm; Committee: Ways and Means

HB1092**Howard County – Casino Events - Authorized Ho. Co. 03-14**

Sponsored by: Howard County Delegation

Authorizing specified organizations to hold casino events that may include a card game or roulette in Howard County, as specified; requiring an organization to obtain a permit from the Howard County Department of Inspections, Licenses, and Permits before operating a casino event; requiring the county to establish the amount of the permit fee; limiting the amount of specified money prizes; requiring a permit holder to ensure that specified standards are met; etc.

Status: In the House – Hearing 3/4/14 at 1pm;

Committee: Ways and Means

HB466 / SB427**Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Day Resource Center Ho. Co. 4-14**

Sponsored by: Howard County Delegation

Authorizing the creation of State Debt not to exceed \$575,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Howard County for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Day Resource Center, located in Howard County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

Status: In the House – First Reading Appropriations; In the Senate – First Reading Budget and Taxation

HB449 / SB426**Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Head Start Program Retrofitting Ho. Co. 5-14**

Sponsored by: Howard County Delegation

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Howard County for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, retrofitting, and capital equipping of the Head Start Program facilities, located in Howard County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

Status: In the House – First Reading Appropriations; In the Senate – First Reading Budget and Taxation

HB455 / SB425**Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Historic Belmont Property and Historic Garden Restoration Ho. Co. 6-14**

Sponsored by: Howard County Delegation

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$125,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Howard County for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Historic Belmont Property and Garden, located in Howard County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

Status: In the House – First Reading Appropriations; In the Senate – First Reading Budget and Taxation

HB470 / SB424**Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Shaded Structures for Playgrounds Ho. Co. 7-14**

Introduced by the Howard County Chairs at the request of the County Executive

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the County Executive and County Council of Howard County for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of shaded structures for playgrounds, located in Howard County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

Status: In the House – First Reading Appropriations; In the Senate – First Reading Budget and Taxation

HB1091

Howard County – Alcoholic Beverages – Beer Festivals Ho. Co. 09-14

Sponsored by: Howard County Delegation

Authorizing the Howard County Board of License Commissioners to issue a special beer festival license; specifying that a special beer festival license authorizes the holder to display and sell at retail beer for consumption on and off the licensed premises on specified days and hours; requiring an applicant for a special beer festival license to be the holder of a specified license; establishing a license fee of \$50 for a 1-day or 2-day festival; etc.

Status: In the House – Hearing 3/3/14 at 1pm;

Committee: Economic Matters

HB456 / SB643

Creation of a State Debt – Howard County – Community Action Council Food Facility

Sponsored by: Howard County Delegation

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Community Action Council of Howard County, Maryland, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Community Action Council Food Bank Facility; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

Status: In the House – First Reading Appropriations; In the Senate – First Reading Budget and Taxation

HB471

Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2012 - Howard County - Supported Living Facility Ho. Co. 11-14

Sponsored by: Howard County Delegation

Amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2012 to provide that the Board of Directors of the Supported Living, Inc. have until June 1, 2016, to provide a matching fund for a grant for the Supported Living Facility, located in Howard County; etc.

Status: In the House: Hearing 2/25 at 1pm; Committee: Appropriations

HB1411

Howard County - Appointed Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board - Compensation Ho. Co. 12-14

Sponsored by: Howard County Delegation

Providing that the compensation for the Howard County Appointed Alcoholic Beverage Hearing Board shall be the amount set by the Howard County Council.

Status: In the House – First Reading House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB1084

Howard County - Practice of Massage - Regulation Ho. Co. 13-14

Sponsored by: Howard County Delegation

Authorizing the governing body of Howard County to adopt ordinances or regulations relating to massage establishments and the practices of specified individuals; etc.

Status: In the House – Hearing 3/5 at 1pm; Committee: Health and Government Operations

Maryland State General Assembly Legislation



House Bill 453

Housing and Community Development - Multifamily Rental Housing Programs Efficiency Act

Introduced by: Chair, Environmental Matters Committee

Repealing specified provisions of law governing the Elderly Rental Housing Program, the Nonprofit Rehabilitation Program, and the Rental Housing Production Program and establishing a new Rental Housing Program in the Department of Housing and Community Development; consolidating loan programs within the Department into a single program; providing for types of financing and repayment terms; establishing uses for loan proceeds; clarifying standards for multifamily loans; etc.

Status: In the House – Second Reading Passed with Amendments

[House Bill 553](#)

Housing - Energy-Efficient Homes Construction Loan Program

Introduced by: Chair, Environmental Matters Committee

Establishing the Energy-Efficient Homes Construction Loan Program; establishing the purpose of the Program; requiring and authorizing the Department of Housing and Community Development to perform specified duties; establishing the Energy-Efficient Homes Construction Fund as a special, non-lapsing fund; requiring the Department to adopt specified regulations; etc.

Status: In the House – Hearing 2/21 at 1pm

[House Bill 621/Senate Bill 700](#)

Registration of Pesticides - Fee Increase - Disposition of Fees

Introduced by: Delegate Lafferty/Senator Manno

Increasing specified pesticide registration fees from \$100 to \$110; and providing that at least \$10 of each annual registration fee and each terminal registration fee collected under § 5-103 of the Agriculture Article may be used only for activities of the Department of Agriculture relating to the collection, analysis, and reporting of data on pesticide use in the State; specifying that money expended from the State Chemist Fund for a specified purpose is supplemental to other specified funding; etc.

Status: In the House – Hearing 2/12 at 2pm; In the Senate – Hearing 2/18 at 1pm

[House Bill 628/Senate Bill 238](#)

Board of Public Works - Relocatable Classrooms - Indoor Air Quality Requirements

Introduced by: Delegate Robinson, Senator King

Requiring the Board of Public Works, in consultation with specified departments, to adopt regulations that include specifications relating to indoor air quality for the occupants of relocatable classrooms constructed after July 1, 2014, that are purchased or leased using State funds.

Status: In the House – Favorable Report by Health and Government Operations

[House Bill 664](#)

Rental Units, Condominiums, and Homeowners Associations - Smoking Restrictions

Introduced by: Delegate Kramer

Allowing written leases for residential real property to include specified restrictions or prohibitions on smoking tobacco products in specified areas; allowing the bylaws

or regulations of a condominium to contain specified restrictions or prohibitions on smoking tobacco products in specified areas; and authorizing a homeowners association to include in its declaration, bylaws, rules, or recorded covenants and restrictions specified restrictions or prohibitions on smoking tobacco products in multi-unit dwellings or in the common areas.

Status: In the House – Hearing 2/20 at 1pm

Sign-up sheets will be available outside of the Banneker room at 7:00pm on the evening of the hearing. Oral testimony will be limited to three minutes.

For further information, contact Dylan Goldberg at the Howard County Delegation office at 410-841-3360 or hoc1@mlis.state.md.us.

I encourage our residents to stay tuned in if these topics are of interest to you. As always, I hope you have found this information insightful, and I encourage you to share this newsletter with your neighbors.

All the best,



Dr. Calvin Ball
Councilmember, District 2
Howard County Council
3430 Court House Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21043

"Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love." ~ Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.